Content of the Request for DOE Approval of an Exemption from 10 CFR 830, Subpart B Requirements

The provisions for requesting and granting exemptions to rules are stated in 10 CFR 820, Subpart E, Exemption Relief. Additional guidance is provided in DOE-STD-1083-95, Requesting and Granting Exemptions to Nuclear Safety Rules. In the request for DOE approval of an exemption from 10 CFR 830 requirements, the contractor should:

- 1. Provide basic information
 - 1.1 Operations/Field/Area Office
 - 1.2 Facility
 - 1.3 Hazard Category
 - 1.4 Facility type, per 10 CFR 830, Subpart B, Appendix A, Table 2
 - 1.5 Facility remaining operational life.
- 2. Identify the requirements, or parts of requirements, from which exemptions are being requested.
- 3. Specify if the exemption being requested is temporary or permanent.
- 4. Identify the specific activities that would be necessary to implement the requirement for which the exemption is being requested.
- 5. State and provide the supporting justification that the exemption:
 - (a) Is authorized by law;
 - (b) Would not present an undue risk to public health and safety, the environment, or facility workers; and
 - (c) Is consistent with safe operations of a DOE nuclear facility.
- Discuss the special circumstances that warrant the exemption (see 10 CFR 820.62).
- 7. Provide justification that there will be no significant increase in risk to the public, facility workers, or the environment that would result from granting the exemption versus implementing the requirement.
- 8. Discuss any proposed alternatives or mitigating actions taken to provide protection from the hazard covered by the requirement.
- 9. State what benefit is realized by not meeting the requirement from which the exemption is being requested.
- 10. Identify any urgent circumstances warranting the necessity for a temporary relief, as well as when compliance will be achieved, if temporary relief is requested.
- 11. Include any additional information that is not requested above, but is helpful to understand the request and support its approval.
- 12. Identify and justify the date (if any) by which the exemption decision must be made to prevent or minimize impacts on safety, operations, or mission.